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The Policy, Training, and Cooperative Programs Division at the Library of Congress is pleased to announce that the moratorium on the Library of Congress Demographic Group Terms has ended!

Following standard policy, LC catalogers and members of the Subject Authority Cooperative (SACO) program may now propose additional demographic group terms as well as revisions to existing terms.

The LCDGT Manual has been thoroughly updated and published on this webpage: <a href="https://www.loc.gov/aba/publications/FreeLCDGT/freelcdgt.html">https://www.loc.gov/aba/publications/FreeLCDGT/freelcdgt.html</a>. Please consult this manual for guidance on how to formulate and propose terms. Note that when an LCDGT proposal is ready to be scheduled to a tentative list, catalogers should send an email to <a href="lcdgt@loc.gov">lcdgt@loc.gov</a>. The email should include "Proposal" in the subject line, and provide the LCCN and/or 150 field for each proposal.

Each tentative list will be posted for public comment, and then will be evaluated by the LCDGT Advisory Group. This Advisory Group consists of one LC Policy Specialist, and nine members from external organizations. Because these external members are volunteering their time, the Advisory Group can only promise to address a maximum of 100 proposals a month. The Advisory Group wishes to consider proposals from a wide variety of sources, so catalogers who have a large number of proposals to submit should put them in priority order and feed them in monthly.

Questions about the LCDGT Project may be sent to the same email address as proposals: <a href="lcdgt@loc.gov">lcdgt@loc.gov</a>.